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               UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
              NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
BEFORE THE HONORABLE CLAUDIA WILKEN, JUDGE COPY
IN RE ABBOTT LABORATORIES )
NORVIR ANTITRUST LITITGATION) C-04-1511 CW
LITIGATION, _____)
                            TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2007
SAFEWAY,
PLAINTIFF,
                        ) OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
 VS.
ABBOTT LABORATORIES,
                         ) C-07-5470 CW
         DEFENDANT.
SMITHKLINE BEECHMAN,
        PLAINTIFF,
                         ) C-07-5702 CW
 VS.
ABBOTT LABORATORIES,
        DEFENDANT.
MEIJER, INCORPORATED,
        PLAINTIFF,
 VS.
                         ) C-07-5985 CW
ABBOTT LABORATORIES,
         DEFENDANT.
            REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS
      (CAPTION AND APPEARANCES CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)
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OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

ROCHESTER DRUG, CO-OPERATIVE,))
PLAINTIFF, VS.))) C-07-6010 CW
ABBOTT LABORATORIES,	
DEFENDANT.)))
RITE-AID CORPORATION,)))
PLAINTIFF,)
VS.) C-07-6120 CW
ABBOTT LABORATORIES,)
DEFENDANT.)))
LOUISIANNA WHOLESALE DRUG COMPANY,)
PLAINTIFF,	
VS.)) C-07-6118 CW
ABBOTT LABORATORIES,))
DEFENDANT.)))
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APPEARANCES:	
PLAINTIFFS:	BERMAN, DEVALERIO, PEASE, TABACCO, BURT & PUCILLO 425 CALIFORNIA STREET, STE. 2025 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94104 JOSEPH J. TABACCO, ESQUIRE JAMES C. MAGID, ESQUIRE

DIRECT PURCHASERS. 1 2 MR. PERWIN: THAT'S RIGHT, YOUR HONOR, THE SAFEWAY 3 CASE AND THE RITE-AID CASE. THE COURT: OKAY. AND DO YOU ALL WANT TO BE IN THE 4 5 CLASS WITH --MR. PERWIN: NO. WE INTEND TO OPT OUT OF THE CLASS 6 7 IF ONE IS CERTIFIED. 8 THE COURT: YOU NEED TO SAY WHO YOU ARE. 9 MR. PERWIN: SCOTT PERWIN FOR THE SAFEWAY 10 PLAINTIFFS. 11 MS. REBUCK: AND MONICA REBUCK ON BEHALF OF THE RITE-AID PLAINTIFFS. WE ARE IN THE SAME POSITION. WE ARE 12 13 OPT-OUTS. TODAY MR. PERWIN WILL BE OFFERING MOST OF THE 14 15 DISCUSSION ON BEHALF OF OUR GROUPS. 16 THE COURT: OKAY. IF YOU WOULD STAND OVER THERE BY 17 THEM SO I CAN REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE. 18 WHAT ARE YOU? MR. WILES: GLAXOSMITHKLINE IS A COMPETITOR AND A 19 20 LICENSEE OF THE PATENTS OF ABBOTT. 21 THE COURT: WHERE DO YOU FIT IN IN THE FIGHT BETWEEN 22 DIRECTS AND INDIRECTS? MR. HURST: THEY'RE IN A DIFFERENT CATEGORY, YOUR 23 24 HONOR. MR. WILES: WE'RE IN A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT 25

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CATEGORY.
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                 THE COURT: YOU ARE NOT TRYING TO BE A CLASS OF
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      ANYBODY?
                MR. WILES: CORRECT. I COULD GIVE IT SOME THOUGHT,
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      BUT --
                 THE COURT: CAN'T FIND ANYONE TO BE IN A CLASS WITH?
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                 IS THAT EVERYBODY?
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                 MS. SALZMAN: YES, YOUR HONOR.
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                 THE COURT: WHAT ALL DO YOU KNOW ABOUT WHETHER
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      ANYBODY ELSE IS GOING TO BE COMING FORWARD?
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                 WE ALREADY HAVE -- DID WE GET THE TWO NEWEST ONES TO
     COME IN?
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                 THE CLERK: YES.
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                 THE COURT: SO EVERYONE WE HAVE SO FAR IS HERE.
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                 WHAT DO YOU ALL KNOW THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE OR ANY
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      OTHER SOURCE AS TO HOW MANY MORE OF THESE CASES ARE COMING DOWN
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      THE PIKE IF ANY?
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                 MR. PERWIN: WE DON'T EXPECT ANY MORE, YOUR HONOR.
                 MS. SALZMAN: I CONCUR WITH THAT.
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                 THE COURT: BUT YOU DON'T KNOW. ANYBODY COULD COME
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      FORWARD AT ANY MOMENT THAT HASN'T BEEN IN TOUCH WITH YOU. SO
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      YOU ARE SAYING NO ONE HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH YOU AT LEAST.
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                 WHAT ABOUT YOU, DO YOU KNOW ABOUT ANYBODY?
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                 MR. HURST: NO, WE DON'T EXPECT ANYBODY BECAUSE THE
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      FOUR-YEAR STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IN THE SHERMAN ACT WOULD HAVE
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EXPIRED ON DECEMBER 4TH.
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                 THE COURT: OH, THAT'S WHY EVERYBODY --
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                 MR. HURST: THAT'S WHY EVERYONE IS RUSHING IN.
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                 THE COURT: CAME IN AT THAT MOMENT. I WONDERED.
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                 MR. HURST: THAT'S RIGHT.
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                 THE COURT: DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE
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      CASCADE HEALTH CASE.
                 MR. HURST: I DON'T IMAGINE THAT PROMPTED ANYBODY TO
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      FILE A LAWSUIT, YOUR HONOR.
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                 THE COURT: THAT CAME BEFORE THE STATUTE STARTED TO
      RUN.
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                 MR. HURST: THAT CAME DOWN IN SEPTEMBER.
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                 THE COURT: OKAY.
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                 I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH YOU ALL. I DON'T WANT
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      TO TRY ANYTHING TWICE THAT I DON'T HAVE TO, BUT ON THE OTHER
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      HAND I DON'T WANT TO PENALIZE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING
      ALONG FOR YEARS AND THEN DELAY THEM WHILE WAITING FOR OTHER
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      PEOPLE.
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                 SO I AM OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW WE COULD MOST
      EFFICIENTLY DEAL WITH THIS WITHOUT DOING ANY TRIALS TWICE
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      CONSIDERING ISSUES OF COLLATERAL ESTOPPEL, RES JUDICATA,
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      BIFURCATION, TRYING CERTAIN THINGS, BUT NOT OTHERS. THERE'S AN
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      INHERENT PROBLEM WITH THE DIRECTS VERSUS THE INDIRECTS ANYWAY I
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     SUPPOSE, BUT ONLY AS TO DAMAGES NOT AS TO LIABILITY.
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                 SO LET ME START WITH THE DOE PEOPLE. IF YOU CAN
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TELL ME WHAT IDEAS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO AVOID ME HAVING TO TRY 1 2 THIS TWICE. 3 MR. TABACCO: BY WAY OF BACKGROUND, YOUR HONOR, AS 4 YOU KNOW, THIS CASE BEGAN IN '04, AND OUR FIRM HAS BEEN 5 REPRESENTING THE END USERS AND MS. SALZMAN'S FIRM HAS BEEN 6 REPRESENTING THE THIRD PARTY PAYERS. YOUR HONOR HAS CERTIFIED 7 THE CASE TO PROCEED AS A CLASS ACTION. IN FACT, WE HAVE A 8 MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE NOTICE PLAN ON THE CALENDAR, I 9 BELIEVE, IN A FEW WEEKS. 10 MS. SALZMAN: THAT'S SET FOR JANUARY 10TH, YOUR 11 HONOR. 12 THE COURT: IS THAT DISPUTED? 13 MR. HURST: WE ARE STILL EVALUATING, YOUR HONOR. I THINK WE'RE SUPPOSED TO RESPOND ON DECEMBER 20TH. 14 15 THE COURT: OKAY. I WOULDN'T THINK THAT WOULD BE 16 DISPUTED IN A BIG WAY. IF IT WAS, I WOULD THINK YOU CAN WORK 17 SOMETHING OUT. IF YOU COULDN'T, I WOULD PROBABLY DECIDE IT ON 18 THE PAPERS. 19 MS. SALZMAN: YOUR HONOR, WE HAD GIVEN THE 20 DEFENDANTS THE NOTICE PAPERS BUT AT THE TIME THE EXPERT 21 DISCOVERY WAS UNDERWAY AND I THINK THEY WERE UNABLE TO REALLY 22 TAKE A CLOSE LOOK, SO AS YOU CAN SEE IN OUR MOTION PAPERS, IT 23 SAYS THAT THEY JUST RESERVE THE RIGHT TO FURTHER COMMENT. 24 WE HAVEN'T DISCUSSED IT, SO THERE MAY BE NO PROBLEM.

MR. HURST: THERE IS A REASONABLE CHANCE WE WON'T

BIFURCATE THEIR DAMAGES?

MR. TABACCO: YOU KNOW, I THINK IF YOU THINK ABOUT
THAT IN TERMS OF -- IT SOUNDS GREAT ON ITS FACE, BUT IT'S -- IT
COULD WORK. BUT WHEN I THINK ABOUT TRYING A CASE WHERE I AM
TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE WHO ARE VICTIMS IN THE COMMUNITY OF AN HIV
DRUG AND I HAVE MY CO-COUNSEL IS SMITHKLINE AND GLAXO, A BIG
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY, I AM GOING TO BE PREJUDICED TO SOME
DEGREE IN TERMS OF TELLING THE JURY ABOUT WHY IT IS THAT BIG
PHARMER DOES CERTAIN THINGS THAT OTHER PEOPLE DON'T DO. SO
RIGHT OFF THE BAT --

THE COURT: WE CAN BRING IN A THIRD TABLE FOR THEM.

MR. TABACCO: I AM DELIGHTED TO HAVE THEM ON THE SIDE OF GOOD AND RIGHT, BUT I THINK EVERYONE WOULD RECOGNIZE -- AND THEN WHEN YOU INTERJECT THE LAYER OF LIABILITY UNDER THE SHERMAN ACT, THERE ARE DIFFERENT ISSUES THAT EFFECT THOSE CLAIMS FOR THE WHOLESALERS, AGAIN THEY ARE BUSINESS PEOPLE DEALING BUSINESS TO BUSINESS, SO MAYBE THIS CAN BE SORTED OUT WITH SOME CAREFUL CASE MANAGEMENT, BUT I THINK IT IS NOT A SIMPLE CASE. THERE ARE PATENT ISSUES THAT HAVE TO BE RESOLVED AND WILL COME UP. AND I THINK BY CONGLOMERATING EVERYTHING FOR THE SAKE OF SIMPLICITY, PROBABLY WON'T WORK.

THE COURT: WHAT I AM MOSTLY HEARING IS THAT YOU DON'T LIKE THE IDEA FOR STRATEGIC REASONS, MORE SO THAN THE FACT THAT IT ACTUALLY WOULDN'T WORK. AND I AM THINKING IN TERMS OF JUST THE LIABILITY, AND YOU ARE ENTITLED TO YOUR

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STRATEGIC REASONS, BUT I AM NOT HEARING ANY REAL PROBLEM WITH
TRYING LIABILITY TOGETHER THAT HAS TO DO WITH EFFICIENCY OR
FAIRNESS.
           MR. HURST: CAN I SPEAK TO THAT, YOUR HONOR?
           THE COURT: LET HER FINISH AND THEN I'LL ASK YOU.
           MS. SALZMAN: ONE OTHER ISSUE I WANTED TO POINT OUT
AND I KNOW IT WAS IN THE PAPERS WE FILED WITH YOUR HONOR, IS
THE REAL ISSUE IS THAT AS PART OF OUR CLASS, WE REPRESENT
INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM HIV AIDS. AND I KNOW YOU
ARE NOT NECESSARILY SAYING THAT YOU WOULDN'T WITH KEEP THE JUNE
TRIAL DATE, BUT THAT IS A BIG CONCERN OF OURS THAT THE CASES
THAT ARE COMING IN ARE GOING TO AT ALL PUSH THAT DATE.
           THE COURT: YOUR CO-COUNSEL SAID THAT. AND I SAID,
TOO, THAT I DIDN'T WANT TO MOVE YOUR TRIAL DATE IF I DIDN'T
HAVE TO.
           MS. SALZMAN: I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT POINT TO
MAKE SURE THAT --
           THE COURT: WE HAVE MENTIONED THAT SEVERAL TIMES
ALREADY.
           ALL RIGHT. WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS?
           MR. HURST: IN TERMS OF WHETHER OR NOT LIABILITY CAN
BE SEPARATED FROM DAMAGES, A COMPONENT OF THE ANTITRUST CHARGE
IS, OF COURSE, INJURY. THAT'S ACTUALLY PART OF LIABILITY.
           SO, THERE WOULD BE REALLY NO DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF
SEGREGATING OUT DAMAGES IN TERMS OF WHAT WOULD BE REQUIRED OF
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ALL OF THE PLAINTIFFS. THEY'D STILL --

THE COURT: THERE'S SOME SORT OF -- NOT SOME SORT,

THERE IS A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE DIRECTS AND INDIRECTS WITH

RESPECT TO DAMAGES, AND THEY DON'T WANT TO BE AND PERHAPS CAN'T

BE DONE TOGETHER.

MR. HURST: RIGHT, BUT IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH

LIABILITY, THEY ALL HAVE TO SHOW ANTITRUST INJURY. THAT IS

PART OF THE ELEMENT OF THE CLAIM, SO THEREFORE IT DOESN'T

REALLY ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING TO SEPARATE OUT DAMAGES BECAUSE THEY

WOULD BE -- THE INJURY PART IS DIFFERENT BETWEEN THESE GROUPS,

INCLUDING THE CLASS, YOUR HONOR.

THE ORIGINAL CLASS IS SAYING WE ONLY REPRESENT FOLKS WHO BOUGHT NORVIR AS A BOOSTER. THE NEW CLASS THAT HAS COME IN AND SOME OF THE INDIVIDUAL ACTIONS ARE SAYING THAT THEY WANT DAMAGES FOR THE PURCHASE OF KALETRA AS WELL. AND THEY WANT TO ACTUALLY REPRESENT KALETRA PURCHASERS. THAT ADDS A LAYER OF COMPLEXITY RELATING TO THE LIABILITY ISSUES THAT WE HAVE NEVER HAD TO GRAPPLE WITH BEFORE. IT'S AN ENTIRELY NEW LAWSUIT, ESSENTIALLY, ON AN ISSUE THAT WE HAVE NOT RESOLVED BETWEEN THE PARTIES SO FAR. WE HAVEN'T DONE THAT YET.

THE COURT: WHAT'S YOUR BOTTOM LINE?

MR. HURST: MY BOTTOM LINE, YOUR HONOR, IS I'M -ONE DISADVANTAGE FOR US GOING FORWARD WITH ONE CASE IS THAT IF
WE LOSE AND IT GETS AFFIRMED ON APPEAL, I'M DONE; COLLATERAL
ESTOPPEL. I AM WILLING TO ACCEPT THAT. IT IS AN ADVANTAGE TO

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THE COURT: YES.
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                 MR. PERWIN: AND I RESPECTFULLY DISAGREE, YOUR
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      HONOR. I THINK THE SCHEDULE --
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                 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. WHAT ABOUT YOU?
                 MS. REBUCK: MONICA REBUCK ON BEHALF OF THE RITE-AID
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      PLAINTIFFS.
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                 WE AGREE WITH MR. PERWIN THAT WE SHOULD BE GIVEN AN
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     OPPORTUNITY --
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                 THE COURT: WHICH ONE IS PERWIN NOW?
                 MS. REBUCK: THE SAFEWAY PLAINTIFFS.
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                 THAT WE SHOULD BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET
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      OURSELVES IN THE POSITION TO TRY IT IN JUNE.
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                 THE COURT: OKAY. WHAT ABOUT YOU?
                 MR. WILES: YOUR HONOR, IN RESPONSE TO YOUR REQUEST,
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      WHAT WE DID FOR GSK WAS TRY TO SEE IF WE COULD COME UP WITH A
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      SCHEDULE THAT WOULD MAKE IT FEASIBLE FOR US TO GO TO TRIAL WITH
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      THE DOE PLAINTIFFS.
                 IT WOULD REQUIRE A DELAY, IN OUR VIEW, OF THREE OR
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      FOUR MONTHS, I THINK IT'S FOUR MONTHS TO THE 20TH OF OCTOBER.
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                 WE ARE PREPARED TO ALLOW THEM TO GO FIRST IF THAT'S
      WHAT YOUR HONOR DECIDES. IF YOUR HONOR FEELS AS WAS OUR
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      IMPRESSION FROM THE ORDERS THAT WE GOT THAT YOU REALLY ONLY
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      WANT TO TRY THIS ONCE, WE COULD LIVE WITH A TRIAL DATE IN THE
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     MIDDLE OF OCTOBER, WHICH IS ONLY A MODEST DELAY.
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THE COURT: WELL, I THINK WHAT I'LL DO IS TRY THE

INDIRECTS IN JUNE AND TRY THE DIRECTS AT SOME LATER DATE, BOTH 1 2 CLASS AND OPT-OUTS. AND THEN THE QUESTION IS WHERE -- DO YOU FIT BEST IN JUNE WITH THE INDIRECTS, SOMETIME LATER WITH THE 3 DIRECTS, OR AS A VERY UNDESIRABLE CLEAR CHOICE SEPARATELY? 4 MR. WILES: I WOULD SAY -- BOTH WE AND ABBOTT AT 5 LEAST AGREE ON ONE THING, AND THAT IS THAT JUNE WOULD NOT BE 6 7 APPROPRIATE FOR TRIAL OF OUR DISPUTE WITH ABBOTT. THE COURT: THAT WOULD MEAN THAT YOU WOULD HAVE TO 8 GO WITH THE DIRECTS. 9 MR. WILES: SO LOGICALLY EITHER WE WOULD GO WITH THE 10 DIRECTS OR CONCEIVABLY ON OUR OWN, BUT I THINK LOGICALLY WE 11 WOULD GO WITH THE DIRECTS. 12 THE COURT: IS THERE ANY BIG OBSTACLES WITH YOU 13 GOING WITH THE DIRECTS? ANY SORT OF SUBSTANTIVE OBSTACLE? 14 15 MR. WILES: NOT THAT I CAN THINK OF. THE COURT: DO ANY OF THE DIRECTS SEE ANY 16 17 SUBSTANTIVE OBSTACLE? MR. SAVERI: NOT AS I STAND HERE TODAY. WE'VE GOT, 18 OF COURSE, SOME ISSUES THAT HAVE TO DO WITH SORTING THROUGH THE 19 20 PLEADINGS AND PERHAPS SOME MOTIONS, BUT NOW BASED ON WHAT I 21 KNOW, I THINK THE CASES COULD GO FORWARD TOGETHER. THE COURT: ANYONE DISAGREE? 22 23 MR. PERWIN: JUDGE, JUST SLIGHTLY. THERE ARE 24 OBVIOUSLY DIFFERENT DAMAGE THEORIES; THAT'S A LOSS PROFITS

THEORY, WE HAVE OVERCHARGE THEORIES. IT CAN BE CONFUSING TO

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THE JURY, AND I JUST WANT TO RESERVE THE POSSIBILITY OF ASKING FOR SEPARATE DAMAGE TRIALS. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING ABOUT THE LIABILITY CASE THAT COULDN'T BE TRIED TOGETHER. MR. SAVERI: I AGREE WITH THAT, YOUR HONOR. THE COURT: IS THAT ALL RIGHT WITH YOU? WE TRY THE COMPETITORS WITH THE DIRECTS? MR. HURST: THERE'S NOTHING THAT OCCURS TO ME AS AN OBSTACLE TO THAT RIGHT NOW. THE DATE -- I WILL WANT TO TALK ABOUT THAT LATER -- THE DATE WOULD HAVE TO BE FAIRLY EXTENDED BECAUSE THE CASE WITH GSK IS ENTIRELY DIFFERENT BECAUSE IT HAS NEW CAUSES OF ACTION, BREACH OF LICENSE -- BREACH OF THE LICENSE AGREEMENT, NORTH CAROLINA ANTITRUST LAW. THE COURT: OKAY. THE ONLY OTHER OBSTACLES -- YOU KNOW, THIS JUNE TRIAL DATE ALSO DEPENDS ON THE MOTIONS THAT WE ARE HEARING IN LATE MARCH. THOSE INCLUDE BOTH ANTITRUST MOTIONS AND PATENT MOTIONS AND CLAIM CONSTRUCTION, AND IT GIVES ME ONLY THREE MONTHS BETWEEN THEN AND THE START OF TRIAL. THAT I JUST CAN'T SWEAR I WILL BE ABLE TO GET IT DONE IN TIME IF IT'S DIFFICULT, PARTICULARLY IN TIME FOR YOU TO DO ALL YOUR PRETRIAL WORK AND ALL THAT. SO, WHILE I WILL TRY TO TRY IT IN JUNE, IF YOU MAKE -- IF THEY MAKE REALLY COMPLICATED MOTIONS, I MAY NOT BE ABLE TO.

MR. TABACCO: WE UNDERSTAND.

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THE COURT: I DON'T HAVE ANY COMPETING TRIALS UNLESS
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     A CRIMINAL CASE SHOULD COME ALONG, BUT I HAVE BEEN -- IT HAS
     BEEN KNOWN TO TAKE THAT LONG TO DECIDE DIFFICULT PATENT
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     MOTIONS.
                YOU'RE JUNE 30TH. THERE IS NOTHING REALLY
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     DOUBLESET. I HAVE YOU DOWN FOR EIGHT DAYS.
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                MR. HURST: I THINK --
                THE COURT: I CAN'T REALLY GIVE YOU ANY MORE THAN
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     THAT.
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                MR. TABACCO: THAT'S FINE.
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                MR. HURST: I GUESS I WOULD ANTICIPATE THE TRIAL
      WILL END UP BEING, AS WE'RE SEEING THINGS SHAPE UP, YOUR HONOR,
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      POTENTIALLY IF IT WENT FORWARD ON ALL OF THE ISSUES, INCLUDING
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      THE THREE PATENTS, IT WILL TAKE LONGER THAN EIGHT DAYS.
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                 THE COURT: DIVIDE THE TIME BY TWO. EIGHT DAYS IS
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     WHAT I HAVE HAD IT FOR ALL ALONG. I HAVE SOMETHING RIGHT AFTER
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      IT THAT I CAN'T CHANGE.
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                 OKAY. SO THAT'S THAT.
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                 SO WE DON'T NEED TO DO ANYTHING WITH DOE'S BECAUSE
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     YOU HAVE ALL YOUR DATES.
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                 MS. SALZMAN: GREAT. THANK YOU.
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                 THE COURT: WHAT WE THEN NEED TO DO IS COME UP WITH
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      DATES FOR EVERYBODY ELSE. AND I WILL LOOK AT THESE CASE
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      MANAGEMENT SCHEDULES.
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                 MR. TABACCO: WE WILL GET OUT OF THE WAY, YOUR
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SAFEWAY CASE.
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                 THE COURT: IS THIS GOING TO BE THE SAME MOTION OR
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     WILL THERE BE --
                 MR. HURST: I GUESS I WOULD LIKE -- I AM GETTING
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     CONFUSED ABOUT WHICH PLAINTIFFS ARE ALLEGING WHAT CLAIMS, BUT
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      IF IT IS THE SAME SHERMAN ACT CLAIM, IT WOULD BE THE SAME
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     MOTION.
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                 THE COURT: OKAY.
                 NOW SOMEBODY WANTS TO MOVE TO TRANSFER ONE OF THEM
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      SOMEWHERE.
                 MR. HURST: THAT WAS ABBOTT SEEKING TO TRANSFER SO
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      FAR THE GSK CASE, THE GLAXOSMITHKLINE CASE.
                 THE COURT: ONLY THAT ONE?
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                 MR. HURST: SO FAR, YES, YOUR HONOR.
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                 SOME OF THE OTHER COMPLAINTS WERE EVALUATED, BUT
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      THEY HAVE NO CALIFORNIA CONNECTION, AND SO THERE IS A
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      POSSIBILITY MORE MOTIONS TO TRANSFER WOULD COME IN.
                 THE COURT: OKAY. HAVE YOU FILED A MOTION TO
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      TRANSFER THE SMITH --
                MR. HURST: WE HAVE THIS MORNING, OR THIS AFTERNOON,
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      YOUR HONOR.
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                 THE COURT: OKAY.
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                 MR. WILES: WE HAVEN'T SEEN IT, BUT WE WILL BE
     OPPOSING IT.
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                 THE COURT: THAT IS NOTICED FOR WHEN?
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                MR. HURST: FOR FEBRUARY --
                MR. WILES: 20TH.
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                MR. HURST: 21ST.
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                 THE COURT: YOU FILED IT FAR IN ADVANCE.
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                 MR. HURST: WE DID, YOUR HONOR.
                 THE COURT: THAT DATE MIGHT WORK FOR ALL THE MOTIONS
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      TO DISMISS AS WELL BECAUSE I AM HERE AND NOT --
                MR. HURST: I HAVE A TRIAL STARTING FEBRUARY 4TH
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      THAT SHOULD BE FINISHED BY THE 21ST, BUT THERE IS NO GUARANTEE.
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      SO --
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                 THE COURT: IS THERE A PROBLEM WITH THE 21ST,
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      SHEILAH?
                 THE CLERK: THAT WOULDN'T QUITE BE EIGHT WEEKS YOU
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      NEED.
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                 THE COURT: FOR THE MOTIONS TO DISMISS.
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                 THE CLERK: 20 DAYS TO ANSWER AND FIVE DAYS --
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                 THE COURT: YOU SAID YOU HAD WHAT?
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                 MR. HURST: ACTUALLY, I HAVE A TRIAL THAT STARTS ON
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      FEBRUARY 4TH. RIGHT NOW IT IS SCHEDULED TO BE FINISHED BY
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      THE 21ST. IF WE ARE GOING TO COLLECT EVERYTHING, MOTIONS TO
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      DISMISS AND THE MOTION TO TRANSFER, A LATER DATE WOULD ACTUALLY
     BE BETTER FOR ME AS WELL.
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                 THE COURT: OKAY. WHAT DATE WOULD WORK, SHEILAH?
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                 JANUARY 11, PLUS 20 DAYS, PLUS FIVE WEEKS. THAT'S
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      REALLY PLUS EIGHT WEEKS. JANUARY 11TH PLUS EIGHT WEEKS.
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THE CLERK: MARCH 6TH? 2 THE COURT: HOW IS MARCH 6TH? 3 MR. WILES: ACCEPTABLE TO US. MR. HURST: THAT'S ACCEPTABLE TO US, YOUR HONOR. 4 THE COURT: OKAY. 5 6 BUT WHAT I WOULD LIKE YOU TO DO IS FILE THE MOTION 7 TO DISMISS 20 DAYS AFTER THE CONSOLIDATED COMPLAINT IS FILED 8 EVEN THOUGH THAT WILL BE LONG BEFORE THE ACTUAL HEARING, JUST 9 FILE IT THEN. 10 MR. HURST: THAT'S FINE. 11 THE COURT: NOTICE IT FOR THE 6TH. 12 THEN I WANT ALL THE OPPOSITIONS TO COME IN FROM THE 13 DATE THE MOTIONS ARE FILED AS OPPOSED TO BACKWARDS. IN OTHER WORDS, I WANT MORE TIME INSTEAD OF YOU GETTING MORE TIME. 14 15 SO BOTH WITH RESPECT TO THE MOTION TO TRANSFER, 16 WHICH IS ALREADY FILED, AND THEN ANY OTHER MOTION TO TRANSFER 1.7 THAT HAPPENS TO GET FILED AND ANY MOTIONS TO DISMISS THAT ARE 18 FILED, FILE YOUR OPPOSITIONS TWO WEEKS AFTER THE MOTIONS ARE 19 FILED, FILE YOUR REPLIES A WEEK AFTER THAT, AND THAT WILL JUST 20 GIVE ME SOME EXTRA TIME TO PREPARE FOR THEM ON THE 6TH. 21 MR. WILES: THAT WILL WORK FOR US. THEIR DATE TO 22 RESPOND TO THE COMPLAINT IN OUR CASE IS JANUARY 3RD. WE HAD 23 NEGOTIATED AN AGREEMENT THAT WE WOULD GET FOUR WEEKS TO 24 RESPOND. SO THAT WOULD BE JANUARY 31ST, I THINK. SO THAT'S 25 ROUGHLY THE SAME PERIOD OF TIME. IF WE CAN HAVE UNTIL

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JANUARY 31ST, WE WILL BE FINE.
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                THE COURT: TO DO WHAT?
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                MR. WILES: TO OPPOSE THE MOTION TO DISMISS.
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                 THE COURT: THAT SHOULD BE -- THAT WOULD BE THE
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     25TH. CAN YOU DO IT BY THE 25TH?
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                MR. WILES: YES.
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                 THE COURT: OKAY.
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                MR. PERWIN: YOUR HONOR, SCOTT PERWIN. THEY HAVE
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      ALREADY FILED THEIR MOTION IN THE SAFEWAY CASE AND NOTICED IT
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      FOR SOMETIME IN MID-JANUARY.
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                 SO THAT HEARING DATE IS OFF; IS THAT RIGHT?
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                 THE COURT: IT IS OFF.
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                 MR. PERWIN: AND WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR US TO FILE
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      A CONSOLIDATED RESPONSE IF IT'S GOING TO BE THE SAME MOTION
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      RATHER THAN FILING OUR RESPONSE AND THEN HAVING IT ESSENTIALLY
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      DUPLICATED BY THE OTHER PLAINTIFFS?
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                 THE COURT: YES, IT WOULD.
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                 MR. PERWIN: OKAY.
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                 THE COURT: SO I AM GOING TO RE-NOTICE THIS THING
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      THAT YOU HAVE ALREADY FILED -- OR DO YOU WANT TO JUST WITHDRAW
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      IT AND FILE ONE?
                 MR. HURST: IF THERE'S--
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                 THE COURT: LET'S DO THAT.
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                 MR. HURST: THAT MAKES THE MOST SENSE.
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                 THE COURT: LET ME JUST DENY THIS WITHOUT
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PREJUDICE --1 MR. HURST: THAT'S FINE. 2 THE COURT: -- AND LET'S HAVE YOU FILE --3 MR. HURST: ONE SINGLE --4 THE COURT: -- ONE SINGLE MOTION TO DISMISS ALL OF 5 THEM. AND THEY CAN HAVE SEPARATE SECTIONS IF THERE'S SOME 6 PARTICULAR CAUSE OF ACTION THAT'S IN ONE BUT NOT THE OTHER, BUT 7 JUST GIVE ME ONE BRIEF SO I DON'T HAVE TO READ THE FACTS OVER 8 AND OVER. 9 MR. HURST: THAT IS SIMPLE ENOUGH. 10 11 THE COURT: AND THEN YOU CAN ALL RESPOND IN ONE BRIEF. AND IF ANYONE HAS SOMETHING THEY NEED TO RESPOND TO 12 THAT'S NOT IN EVERYBODY ELSE'S CASE, YOU CAN HAVE PREFERABLY 13 REALLY A SEPARATE SECTION IN ONE BRIEF SO, AGAIN, I DON'T HAVE 14 15 TO READ ALL THE FACTS. 16 MR. SAVERI: THAT'S FINE, YOUR HONOR. IF WE HAVE PROBLEMS WITH PAGE LIMITS OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT, I AM SURE WE 17 CAN WORK THAT OUT. 18 MR. WILES: WERE YOU DIRECTING THAT TO GSK AS WELL? 19 THE COURT: YES, TO THE EXTENT YOU CAN. 20 MR. HURST: YOUR HONOR, ACTUALLY IT WOULD NOT REALLY 21 WORK WITH GSK. THEY HAVE THE SAME CASCADE PROBLEM IN OUR VIEW, 22 BUT THERE'S A LOT MORE COMPLEXITY TO THEIR CASE. IT WOULD BE A 23 COMPLETELY DIFFERENT MOTION. 24 THEY HAVE FOUR COUNTS, NORTH CAROLINA COUNT, BREACH 25

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OF CONTRACT. IF IT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE, IT WOULD BE, I THINK,
MORE -- IT WOULD BE AN UNDULY COMPLICATED MOTION IF WE TRIED TO
DO ONE MOTION FOR EVERYBODY.
           THE COURT: SO YOU WANT TO DO A SEPARATE MOTION --
           MR. HURST: I WANT TO DO A SEPARATE GSK MOTION.
           THE COURT: OKAY.
           MR. HURST: I THINK IT WILL BE SIMPLER. I WON'T
REPEAT THE CASCADE. IN FACT, WHAT I COULD DO IS I COULD SAY,
"FOR MY CASCADE ARGUMENT, LOOK AT MY OTHER BRIEF."
           HOW ABOUT IF I DO THAT?
           THE COURT: GOOD.
           MR. HURST: OKAY.
           THE COURT: SO THAT'S THAT.
           MS. REBUCK: YOUR HONOR, DID YOU SET DATES THEN FOR
THEM TO FILE THIS CONSOLIDATED MOTION TO DISMISS AND A RESPONSE
DATE?
           THE COURT: I THINK I DID.
           MS. NUSSBAUM: TWENTY DAYS AFTER JANUARY 11TH, WHICH
IS THE FILING OF THE AMENDED COMPLAINT IS WHEN WE HAVE TO FILE.
I BELIEVE SHE SAID YOU GET 20 DAYS AFTER THAT TO OPPOSE.
           THE COURT: TWO WEEKS.
           MS. REBUCK: TWO WEEKS.
           THE COURT: YOU ARE GOING TO FILE THE CONSOLIDATED
AMENDED COMPLAINT ON THE 11TH?
           MR. HURST: WE WILL FILE OUR MOTION TO DISMISS
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WITHIN 20 DAYS. 1 THE COURT: SO THAT WILL BE THE -- WELL REALLY 2 THE 31ST. 3 MR. HURST: YES. 4 THE COURT: SO YOUR OPPOSITION ACTUALLY IS LATER 5 THAN I THOUGHT. YOUR OPPOSITION WON'T BE DUE UNTIL THE 14TH OF 6 7 FEBRUARY. MR. WILES: HE WAS INTENDING TO FILE HIS MOTION ON 8 OUR CASE ON JANUARY 3RD. 9 MR. HURST: SHOULD WE PUT EVERYTHING ON THE SAME 10 SCHEDULE? 11 THE COURT: NOW WE ARE NOT GOING TO DO THAT ANYMORE. 12 MR. WILES: THEN I GUESS -- WHAT I'M SAYING IS THAT 13 GIVEN THE COMPLEXITY OF OUR CASE, I WOULD LIKE A LITTLE MORE 14 TIME TO DO THE MOTION TO DISMISS. WE HAD NEGOTIATED FOUR WEEKS 15 WITH THEM IN EXCHANGE FOR THE STIPULATION ON THE MOTION -- THE 16 ANSWER DATE. AND SO I CAN LIVE WITH THREE, BUT I WOULD LIKE 17 18 THREE AT LEAST. THE COURT: WELL, WHY DON'T YOU FILE A DRAFT OF THE 19 PART THAT HAS TO DO WITH HIM EARLIER. 20 MR. HURST: HOW ABOUT IF I FILE MY MOTION TO DISMISS 21 THE GSK CASE A WEEK EARLIER THAN THE OTHER ONE. THAT WILL GIVE 22 THEM MORE TIME. DOES THAT WORK? 23 24 MR. WILES: THAT'S FINE. THE COURT: IS IT GOING TO HAVE YOUR CASCADE THING 25

IN IT? 1 2 MR. HURST: I WON'T PUT THE -- I DON'T WANT TO 3 REPEAT THE ARGUMENT TWICE BECAUSE THAT JUST BURDENS --THE COURT: IT'S NOT GOING TO HAVE THE CASCADE PART, 4 BUT IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT HE'S GOT TO SAY ABOUT THAT, YOU 5 6 CAN ALWAYS READ THAT. 7 MR. WILES: I READ IT OUT IN THE HALLWAY. THE COURT: OKAY. 8 9 THEN THE OPPOSITIONS ARE GOING TO BE DUE ON THE 10 14TH OF FEBRUARY AND THE REPLY ON THE 21ST, AND HEARING ON THE 11 6ТН. 12 SO I DON'T GET ANY EXTRA TIME AFTER ALL. 13 MR. HURST: SHOULD WE MOVE --14 THE COURT: NO, NO, NO. I AM JUST KIDDING. 15 MR. HURST: I WOULD BE HAPPY TO FILE EARLIER. 16 THE COURT: THAT'S ALL RIGHT. OKAY. 17 OKAY. THEN WE HAVE SETTLEMENT. 18 PLAINTIFFS PROPOSE A MAGISTRATE JUDGE. WE USUALLY 19 TRY TO USE SOMETHING ELSE FIRST BEFORE A MAGISTRATE JUDGE, AND 20 IN PARTICULAR IN THIS CASE, I THINK WE WOULD BE HARD PRESSED TO 21 THE FIND A MAGISTRATE JUDGE WHO WOULD HAVE THE TIME TO DEVOTE TO ALL OF YOU, SO I PROPOSE THAT YOU AGREE ON A PRIVATE 22 23 MEDIATOR AND USE THE SAME PERSON FOR ALL THE CASES. 24 HAS DOE SEEN ANYBODY?

MS. SALZMAN: YOUR HONOR, WE WENT TO MAGISTRATE

WITHIN THE SAME BRIEF. 1 2 MR. HURST: UNDERSTOOD. 3 THE COURT: IF YOU NEED MORE PAGES, YOU CAN ASK. 4 THE DEFAULT WOULD BE ALL THE CASES, ALL ISSUES, EVERYTHING IN ONE 25-PAGE BRIEF. 5 IF YOU CAN'T DO THAT, YOU WILL HAVE TO ASK 6 7 PERMISSION FOR WHAT YOU WANT. OPPOSITIONS IDEALLY, OPPOSITION AND CROSS-MOTION 8 WOULD BE A JOINT ONE FROM EVERYBODY IN ONE 25-PAGE BRIEF. IF 9 10 YOU CAN'T DO THAT OR WANT MORE PAGES OR WANT SEPARATE BRIEFS OR 11 WHATEVER, MAKE ME AN OFFER. MR. WILES: AGAIN, GSK IS GOING TO NEED A SEPARATE 12 13 BRIEF. I CAN TELL, I KNOW ALREADY BECAUSE OF WHAT I HEARD 14 COUNSEL SAY. 15 THE COURT: WELL, I DON'T SEE IT AS A SEPARATE 16 BRIEF. IT CAN BE A SEPARATE SECTION IN THE BRIEF. SURELY THE 17 STATEMENT OF FACTS WILL BE THE SAME. 18 MR. HURST: THEY REALLY DO HAVE A FAIRLY INDEPENDENT 19 CAUSE OF ACTION RELATING TO THE LICENSE AGREEMENT. SO IT IS A 20 SEPARATE -- I WILL MAKE MY BRIEF, IF I CAN DO IT, ONE 25-PAGE 21 BRIEF, BUT I DON'T DISAGREE THERE IS AN ENTIRELY DISTINCT AND 22 SEPARATE CAUSE OF ACTION WITH GSK. 23 MR. WILES: THE FACTS ARE GOING TO BE VERY SIMILAR,

THE COURT: OKAY. WELL, IN YOUR MOTION FOR EXCESS

BUT THERE IS A DIFFERENT CAUSE OF ACTION.

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PAGES, YOU CAN ASK TO HAVE YOUR ISSUE ADDRESSED SEPARATELY IN SOME PARTICULAR AMOUNT OF PAGES, WHILE ALL YOUR COMMON ISSUES ARE ADDRESSED JOINTLY WITH EVERYBODY ELSE. YOU CAN MAKE ME AN OFFER, BUT THAT TELLS ME HOW MANY PAGES I AM GOING TO HAVE TO READ ALTOGETHER IN SUCH A WAY AS TO MINIMIZE HAVE TO READ THE SAME ARGUMENTS OR THE SAME FACTS MORE THAN ONCE. OPPOSITION AND CROSS-MOTION MAY 14TH. MR. HURST: 21 DAYS FOR A REPLY? THE COURT: OKAY. I WAS GOING TO GIVE YOU A MONTH. MR. HURST: I SHOULD HAVE SHUT UP. THE COURT: JUNE 11TH FOR YOUR REPLY. AND THAT MIGHT ALSO END UP BEING AN OPPOSITION TO A CROSS-MOTION. THEY DON'T THINK THEY ARE GOING TO MAKE ONE, BUT IF THEY DO --MR. HURST: IF THEY DO AND I NEED MORE TIME, AND I CAN POTENTIALLY ASK THAT? THE COURT: YOU CAN, YES. AND THEN JUNE 18TH WOULD BE THE REPLY TO ANY CROSS-MOTION YOU MIGHT HAVE FILED. AND THEN WE HAVE GOTTEN UP TO JULY 9TH, LET'S SAY, FOR A HEARING. WE ARE IN '09 NOW. HOW DID I GET ON JULY 9? OH, JULY. OKAY. SO -- WELL, THAT CAUSES ME -- WHAT I AM GOING TO DO THEN IS SET IT FOR TRIAL IN DECEMBER OF '09. SO SHALL WE SAY DECEMBER 7TH? MR. WILES: IS IT POSSIBLE TO MOVE THE TRIAL UP TO

NOVEMBER SO WE CAN GET IT DONE BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS?

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THE COURT: IT'S NOT, BUT I CAN DO IT IN JANUARY IF
YOU WOULD LIKE.
          MR. HURST: JANUARY SOUNDS FINE TO ME.
          MR. PERWIN: I PREFER DECEMBER, BUT --
           THE COURT: HOW LONG DID YOU SAY IT WILL TAKE?
           MR. WILES: DECEMBER IS FINE WITH US.
           MR. HURST: I THINK NOBODY HAS COME UP WITH AN
ESTIMATE, BUT IF EVERYBODY IS IN ONE TRIAL, I WOULD THINK THIS
WOULD BE A FOUR-WEEK TRIAL, PROBABLY.
           MR. SAVERI: I AM THINKING SOMETHING LIKE THREE TO
FOUR WEEKS, BUT.
           MR. HURST: DEPENDS ON THE EXPERTS, ET CETERA, ET
CETERA.
           MR. SAVERI: IT ALSO DEPENDS, I THINK, TO SOME
EXTENT TO WHAT HAS BEEN RESOLVED BY WHAT ELSE HAS HAPPENED IN
THE CASE BY THAT POINT.
           THE COURT: EVEN A THREE-WEEK TRIAL WOULD RUN INTO
CHRISTMAS. THAT WOULD BE HARD TO PICK A JURY.
           MR. SAVERI: I THINK THAT'S A BAD IDEA.
           THE COURT: SO WE BETTER MAKE IT JANUARY. HOW ABOUT
THE 11TH? YOU DON'T WANT TO START IT ON THE 4TH.
           JANUARY 11TH. I WILL PUT IT --
           MR. PERWIN: 2010?
           THE COURT: YEAH. I WILL PUT IT DOWN FOR THREE
WEEKS. I AM TRYING THEM FIVE DAYS A WEEK NOW, SO THAT'S 15
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1 DAYS. I REALLY THINK THAT IS ENOUGH. MR. PERWIN: WE WILL DO IT, JUDGE. 2 3 THE COURT: WE WILL HAVE A PRETRIAL CONFERENCE ON DECEMBER 22ND. 4 5 OKAY. SO I THINK THAT'S ALL UNLESS ANYONE HAS 6 ANYTHING ELSE. 7 MR. HURST: I DO HAVE TWO MORE ISSUES REALLY 8 QUICKLY, YOUR HONOR. THE COURT: OKAY. 9 MR. HURST: WE DID FILE A MOTION TO TRANSFER WITH 1.0 RESPECT TO GSK. WE DO INTEND TO FILE -- WE ARE EVALUATING 11 FILING ADDITIONAL MOTIONS TO TRANSFER, BUT GIVEN THE SCHEDULE, 12 WOULD -- COULD I PROCEED WITH MY DISCOVERY WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO 13 MY MOTION TO TRANSFER GIVEN THE POSSIBILITY THAT I MIGHT LOSE 14 15 ON THE MOTION TO TRANSFER, BUT IT WILL BE DOWN THE ROAD? THE COURT: SURE. SURE. 16 MR. HURST: SECOND ISSUE IS, AND PLAINTIFFS CAN 17 DISAGREE WITH ME, BUT I THINK THAT THEIR CLAIMS NECESSARILY 18 TURN ON THE SCOPE OF THE PATENTS THAT YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH AND 19 20 MAYBE EVEN THE VALIDITY. I DON'T KNOW THE ORIGINAL CLAIM, 21 THEY'RE CHALLENGING THE VALIDITY OF THOSE PATENTS. IF I AM CORRECT THAT THEIR CLAIMS TURN ON THE PATENT 22 LAWS, CAN WE HAVE AN ORDER THAT THE LOCAL PATENT RULES APPLY? 23 THE COURT: NO, NOT WHOLESALE, BUT WE WILL NEED A 24 25 SCHEDULE FOR THAT.

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THE CLAIM CONSTRUCTION WOULD BE DONE AT THE TIME OF THE CASE DISPOSITIVE MOTION, SO THERE'S A DIFFERENCE FROM THE PATENT RULES RIGHT THERE. ALTHOUGH WE ARE ABOUT TO CHANGE THE PATENT RULES. I DON'T KNOW IF WE DID THAT YET. MR. HURST: NOT THAT I KNOW OF. THE COURT: WE HAVE SOME CHANGES IN THE WORKS. MR. WIEBE: THE NEW PATENT LOCAL RULES HAVE TAKEN EFFECT. THE COURT: BUT I THINK THEY'RE STILL THE SAME --SOME OF US NOW ARE DOING CLAIM CONSTRUCTION WITH MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT, BUT I THINK EVEN THE NEW RULES STILL HAVE IT THE OTHER WAY. BUT I DO IT THE WAY I DO IT. BUT THE NOTION OF HAVING A DISCLOSURE OF CLAIMS AND ALL THAT IS A GOOD NOTION. RATHER THAN DO THAT NOW, WHAT I WOULD LIKE YOU TO DO IS SEE IF YOU CAN WORK OUT A SCHEDULE THAT ISN'T, YOU KNOW, BOXED UP WITH THE PATENT LOCAL RULES, BUT FOLLOWS THE GENERAL POLICIES THAT ARE REPRESENTED IN THOSE RULES, BUT CHANGED TO SHOW THAT I AM DOING THE CLAIM CONSTRUCTION LATER RATHER THAN EARLIER. BUT IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO SAY WHAT YOUR INVALIDITY CONTENTIONS ARE, TO SAY WHAT YOUR INFRINGEMENT CONTENTIONS ARE, AND TO DO ALL THOSE THINGS IN SOME KIND OF FORMAT LIKE THE LOCAL RULES DO. SO WHY DON'T YOU SEE IF YOU CAN WORK SOMETHING OUT.

YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW IF YOU ARE GOING TO MAKE THOSE CLAIMS, BUT

YOU CAN SET A SCHEDULE FOR WHAT YOU'LL DO IN CASE YOU DO MAKE 1 THEM. 2 3 MR. WILES: IF I MAY BE HEARD ONE SECOND. IN OUR VIEW, TO THE EXTENT THE PATENT ISSUE IS AN ISSUE IN THIS CASE, 4 5 IT'S IF THEY RAISE IT AS AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE IN THEIR ANSWER 6 WHEN THEY GET AROUND TO ANSWERING. 7 THE COURT: I THINK YOU CAN ANTICIPATE THAT THEY 8 WILL. 9 MR. WILES: I DO ANTICIPATE THEY WILL, AND I ALSO ANTICIPATE THAT WE WILL MOVE TO DISMISS THAT AFFIRMATIVE 10 11 DEFENSE BECAUSE AS THE COURT KNOWS, ABBOTT HAS LICENSED NOT 12 ONLY GSK, BUT MOST OF THE OTHER COMPETITORS IN THE FIELD. SO TO THE EXTENT THEY EVER HAD A PATENT ARGUMENT IN THIS CASE, 13 14 THEY HAVE NOW GIVEN IT AWAY. 15 THE COURT: AGAINST YOU MAYBE, BUT NOT AGAINST THE 16 OTHERS. MR. WILES: WELL, I THINK IT'S TO THE EXTENT THAT --17 THEY USE IT TO ARGUE THAT IT -- THAT THE PATENT INSULATES THEIR 18 19 BEHAVIOR AND IT CAN'T HARM COMPETITION. IN OUR VIEW, GIVEN 20 THAT THEY HAVE LICENSED PRETTY MUCH THE WHOLE INDUSTRY, THEY 21 CAN'T MAKE THAT ARGUMENT. AND THEY --22 MR. PERWIN: AND THEY CAN'T MAKE IT AGAINST US 23 EITHER, YOUR HONOR. 24 IN ADDITION TO THAT, THERE'S THE FOR SALE DOCTRINE

OF THE IMPLIED LICENSE DOCTRINE YOUR HONOR IS FAMILIAR WITH

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13	NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
14	OAKLAND DIVISION		
15	SMITHKLINE BEECHAM CORPORATION,) Case No. C 07-5702 CW		
16	d/b/a GLAXOSMITHKLINE,		
17	Plaintiff,) GSK'S INITIAL DISCOVERY DISCLOSURES		
18	vs.		
19	ABBOTT LABORATORIES,		
20	Defendant.		
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22	GSK's claims derive from Abbott's 400 percent increase in the price it charged for		
23	Norvir® (branded ritonavir), a drug that acts to boost the effectiveness of drugs known as		
24	protease inhibitors ("PIs"). PIs are used to treat persons with HIV/AIDS. Abbott and GSK both		
25	manufacture and sell PIs that are boosted with ritonavir. Abbott is the sole manufacturer of		
26	ritonavir, and ritonavir is the sole drug that can be used to boost the effectiveness of PIs. Abbott		
27	demanded and took significant payments in exchange for licensing to GSK and others the right to		
28	promote their PIs for co-prescription and use with Norvir. After taking those payments and		
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establishing a competitive market for boosted PIs, Abbott sought to injure competition as well as its competitors, who were also its licensees, by quintupling the price of Norvir except when sold as part of Abbott's combination PI drug known as Kaletra® (branded lopinavir/ritonavir). Abbott took these steps in order to make Norvir essentially inaccessible for use with all PIs except Kaletra thereby extending Abbott's dominance in the market for boosted PIs. Abbott's price increase had a dramatic negative impact on GSK's ability to sell its competing PI, Lexiva® (branded fosamprenavir), which was introduced just two weeks before Abbott announced its 400 percent price increase for Norvir. The price increase had the anticompetitive effect of protecting Kaletra against new PI products, including GSK's Lexiva, that threatened Kaletra's market dominance. Abbott's misconduct violates Section 2 of the Sherman Act, the federal prohibition against monopolization and attempted monopolization, as well as the North Carolina prohibition against monopolization. Abbott's conduct also breaches the covenant of good faith and fair dealing contained in GSK's agreement with Abbott and constitutes unfair and deceptive trade practices in violation of North Carolina's Unfair Trade Practices Act.

GSK by and through its undersigned attorneys, provides this Initial Disclosure in compliance with Rule 26(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. This initial disclosure is based on information reasonably available to GSK at this time. GSK's investigation is ongoing, and Abbott has not yet answered GSK's Complaint. GSK may amend or supplement these disclosures based on its continuing investigations and discovery.

GSK's initial disclosures are made without in any way waiving: (1) the right to object to such information on the grounds of competency, privilege, the work product doctrine, undue burden, relevancy and materiality, hearsay, or any other ground; (2) the right to object to the use of any such information, for any purposes, in whole or in part, in any subsequent proceeding in this action or any other action; and (3) the right to object on any and all grounds, at any time, to any discovery request or proceeding involving or relating to the subject matter of these disclosures.

1. Witnesses

In compliance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1)(A), GSK identifies the individuals set forth below, to the extent currently known to GSK, as likely to have discoverable information that GSK

may use to support its claims. GSK expressly reserves the right to identify or to call as witnesses additional or different individuals if, during the course of discovery and investigation relating to this case, GSK learns that such additional or different individuals have relevant knowledge.

In making these disclosures, GSK does not waive its right to object to discovery of information from any of these individuals, including by deposition or otherwise, or based on the attorney-client privilege, the informer privilege, work product immunity, or any other applicable privilege or protection. GSK does not consent to authorize any party to communicate with its current or former employees or board members. Any individuals designated in this disclosure with an asterisk (*) by their name should be contacted care of Alexander F. Wiles, Irell & Manella LLP, 1800 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 900, Los Angeles, CA 90067-4276, (310) 277-1010, regardless of whether their contact information is also set forth in the chart below.

Name and Address	Subjects
Audet, Patricia*	GSK/Abbott license and
Vice President, Transactions & Asia Strategy	negotiations
GlaxoSmithKline	
709 Swedeland Road	
King of Prussia, PA 19406	
Brotz, Melissa	Abbott's decision to increase
Abbott Laboratories	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott
	license and negotiations
Chenet, Kyle*	GSK/Abbott license and
Former Manager, Business Development	negotiations
for GSK	
Current Address Unknown	
Collins, Jeff*	Effect of Norvir price increase
Product Director	
GlaxoSmithKline	
Five Moore Drive	
RTP, NC 27709	
Devlin, Jeffrey	Abbott's decision to increase
Divisional Vice President and General Manager	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott
of HIV Franchise	license and negotiations
Abbott Laboratories	
Evans, Paul*	Effect of Norvir price increase
Product Manager	
GlaxoSmithKline	
Five Moore Drive	
RTP, NC 27709	
French, Elizabeth*	GSK/Abbott license and
MedPointe Pharmaceuticals	negotiations
265 Davidson Avenue, Suite 300	
Somerset, NJ 08873-4120	

1	Name and Address	Subjects
-	Hannan, Michael P.*	Effect of Norvir price increase
2	Acting HIV Regional Sales Director	Zirot of I (of the price moreupe
	GlaxoSmithKline	
3	Five Moore Drive	
	RTP, NC 27709	
4	Hare, Peter*	Effect of Norvir price increase
5	Vice President, HIV Business Unit	•
3	GlaxoSmithKline	
6	Five Moore Drive RTP, NC 27709	
Ů	Husami, Mateen	Abbott's decision to increase
7	Abbott Laboratories	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott
	11000tt Edo01dt011e3	license and negotiations
8	Keller, John*	GSK/Abbott license and
_	Incyte Corporation	negotiations
9	DuPont Experimental Station	
10	Rt. 141 & Henry Clay Road	
10	Wilmington, Delaware 19880	
11	Key, Karen*	GSK/Abbott license and
1 1	Former Director in World Wide Business	negotiations
12	Development for GSK	
	Current Address Unknown	Effect of Norvir price increase
13	Laughery, Tom* Vice President, HIV Marketing	Effect of Norvir price increase
	GlaxoSmithKline	
14	Five Moore Drive	
	RTP, NC 27709	
15	Leal, Jesus	Abbott's decision to increase
16	Abbott Laboratories	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott
10		license and negotiations
17	Leonard, John	Abbott's decision to increase
• •	Vice President of Global Pharmaceutical	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott
18	Research and Development Abbott Laboratories	license and negotiations
	McVeigh, Brian*	Effect of Norvir price increase
19	Director, Business Development	Effect of Norvii price increase
20	GlaxoSmithKline	
20	709 Swedeland Road	
21	King of Prussia, PA 19406	
21	Pittman, Marlon*	Effect of Norvir price increase
22	Vice President, HIV Sales	
22	GlaxoSmithKline	
23	Five Moore Drive	
	RTP, NC 27709	A11 -442 - 1 - 2 - 2
24	Poulos, John Group Vice President of Licensing and	Abbott's decision to increase
	Group Vice President of Licensing and New Business Development	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott license and negotiations
25	Abbott Laboratories	neense and negotiations
0.	Rubenstock, Allen	Abbott's decision to increase
26	Abbott Laboratories	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott
		license and negotiations

Name and Address	Subjects
Schmid, Fred*	Effect of Norvir price increase
Former Vice President, HIV Marketing	•
Administration for GSK	
Current Address Unknown	
Shaefer, Mark*	Use of protease inhibitors
Director, Clinical Development	_
GlaxoSmithKline	
Five Moore Drive	
RTP, NC 27709	
Violet, Julie*	GSK/Abbott license and
Finance Director, Alliances	negotiations
GlaxoSmithKline	
Research and Development	
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Middlesex	
United Kingdom	
UB6 0HE	
Weinstock, Steven F.	Abbott's decision to increase
Wood Phillips	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott
500 West Madison Street Suite 3800	license and negotiations
Chicago, IL 60661-2562	
White, Miles	Abbott's decision to increase
Chief Executive Officer	price of Norvir; GSK/Abbott
Abbott Laboratories	license and negotiations

In addition to the individuals listed above, GSK notes that there are likely other individuals who may have knowledge of relevant facts, including:

- Current and former employees of GSK and their affiliates.
- Persons whose names appear in the documents to be produced by the parties.
- Persons employed by companies that manufacture PIs to be boosted with Norvir.
- Representatives of Abbott involved in discussions with GSK regarding the license to promote GSK's PIs with Norvir.

GSK also anticipates that there are individuals known to the defendants who have relevant knowledge. GSK incorporates by reference herein its discovery responses and future supplementations thereof, in which other persons with relevant knowledge may be set forth. GSK may seek information from the above-described persons or persons identified by the defendants to support its claims and defenses.

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2. **Documents**

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1)(B), and based upon presently available information, GSK identifies at least the following categories of documents. GSK reserves the right to identify and use documents from additional categories if during the course of discovery and investigation relating to this case, GSK learns that such additional categories contain relevant documents. GSK also reserves the right to rely on any other documents produced in the course of discovery. GSK further reserves the right to respond to and/or rebut the contentions and allegations that the defendants may make.

- a. Documents relating to the development, sale and use of protease inhibitors that are boosted with Norvir for the treatment of HIV.
- b. Documents relating to the effect of changes in Norvir pricing on the ability of Abbott's competitors, including GSK, to sell and distribute their protease inhibitors for the treatment of HIV.
- c. Documents relating to the December 13, 2002 agreement in which Abbott licensed GSK the right to promote protease inhibitors with ritonavir.
- d. Documents relating to the economic losses GSK suffered as a result of Abbott's price increase, breach of contract and unfair business practices.

3. **Damages**

GSK intends to seek all relief and recover all remedies available under the applicable laws. Abbott is obligated to produce the documents that are necessary for GSK to compute the amount of its damages in this action. Such documents include, but are not limited to, documents concerning the pricing, and forecast and actual sales of Kaletra and Norvir. GSK will need to examine and analyze these and other documents in order to calculate the damages for which Abbott is liable.

In addition, both the approach to the determination of damages and the amount of damages will be the subject of expert analysis and discovery. The experts will require time to review documents, testimony and other information produced by parties including defendants in order to analyze the damage issues in this matter.

On GSK's first cause of action for violations of the Sherman Act, GSK claims the full amount of damages, as permitted by federal law, resulting from Abbott's anticompetitive conduct, including its 400% price increase of Norvir, as well as trebling of such damages. On GSK's second cause of action, GSK claims the full amount of damages as a result of Abbott's breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing contained in the December 13, 2002 agreement between Abbott and GSK regarding the promotion of protease inhibitors with Norvir. On GSK's third cause of action, GSK claims the full amount of damages resulting from Abbott's bad faith and unfair business practices in violation of North Carolina Unfair Trade Practices Act (N.C. Gen. Stat. § 75-1.1). On GSK's fourth cause of action, GSK claims the full amount of damages resulting from Abbott's violation of North Carolina's prohibition against monopolization (N.C. Gen. Stat. § 75-2.1), including trebling of such damages. GSK also seeks pre- and post-judgment interest on these damages, an award of attorneys' fees and costs, equitable and injunctive relief as necessary to undo the effects of Abbott's wrongful conduct and to prevent Abbott from repeating that conduct, and any other relief this Court deems just and proper. GSK reserves the right to request additional relief as discovery progresses.

4. Insurance

At this time, GSK is not aware of any insurance agreements under which any person carrying on an insurance business may be liable to satisfy part or all of a judgment that may be entered in this action or to indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy the judgment.

DATED: January 11, 2008 Respectfully Submitted,

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1 PROOF OF SERVICE 2 I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. My business address is 1800 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 900, 3 Los Angeles, California 90067-4276. 4 On January 11, 2008, I served the foregoing document described as GSK'S INITIAL **DISCOVERY DISCLOSURES** on each interested party, as follows: 5 Samuel S. Park 6 Winston & Strawn LLP 35 W. Wacker Drive 7 Chicago, Illinois 60601-9703 spark@winston.com 8 9 X (BY MAIL) I placed a true copy of the foregoing document in a sealed envelope addressed to each interested party, as set forth above. I placed each 10 such envelope, with postage thereon fully prepaid, for collection and mailing at Irell & Manella LLP, Los Angeles, California. I am readily familiar with Irell & 11 Manella LLP's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service. Under that practice, the 12 correspondence would be deposited in the United States Postal Service on that same day in the ordinary course of business. 13 X (BY ELECTRONIC MAIL) I caused the foregoing document to be served 14 electronically by electronically mailing a true and correct copy through Irell & Manella LLP's electronic mail system to the e-mail address(es), as set forth 15 above, and the transmission was reported as complete and no error was reported. 16 Executed on January 11, 2008, at Los Angeles, California. 17 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. 18 L va M. Siegel
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